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THE U.N., AFRICA AND CUBAN-SOVIET MOVES

ANNCR:

THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL HAS CONDEMNED SOUTH AFRICA'S INTERVENTION IN THE RECENT CIVIL WAR IN ANGOLA -- BUT SO FAR HAS NOT SAID ANYTHING ABOUT THE CONTINUED SOVIET-CUBAN PRESENCE THERE. NEWS ANALYST FRED GALVAN HAS THESE THOUGHTS.

VOICE:

THE VOTE ON A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING SOUTH AFRICA WAS NOT UNANIMOUS. THE ONLY PERMANENT MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL TO VOTE FOR THE PROPOSAL WAS THE SOVIET UNION. BRITAIN, FRANCE AND THE UNITED STATES ABSTAINED, AND CHINA DID NOT PARTICIPATE. THUS, THESE FOUR DELEGATIONS WHO AS PERMANENT MEMBERS HAVE THE POWER OF THE VETO, REFRAINED FROM USING IT. THE REASONS CAME IN THE EXPLANATIONS OF THEIR VOTES AND THE POSITIONS THEY HAD TAKEN IN THE DEBATE LEADING UP TO THE BALLOTTING.

ALL FOUR -- BRITAIN, CHINA, FRANCE AND THE U.S. -- SUBSTANTIALLY ARGUED THAT THEY REGARDED THE RESOLUTION AS UNBALANCED -- WHILE IT CONDEMNED SOUTH AFRICAN INTERVENTION, IT FAILED TO DEAL WITH THE CONTINUED CUBAN PRESENCE OF THIRTEEN THOUSAND TROOPS IN ANGOLA WITH SOVIET BACKING.

THE U.S. SAID THAT SOUTH AFRICA'S INTERVENTION WAS "WRONG AND UNWARRANTED." IT ALSO SAID THAT THE CUBAN-SOVIET PRESENCE IN ANGOLA THREATENS NOT ONLY ITS INDEPENDENCE BUT THAT OF OTHER AFRICAN STATES.

THE CUBAN-SOVIET INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA STILL IS HAVING REPERCUSSIONS IN AFRICA ITSELF, AS STATEMENTS BY TWO AFRICAN

LEADERS DEMONSTRATED IN RECENT DAYS. PRESIDENT KAUNDA OF ZAMBIA AT A NEWS CONFERENCE MONDAY COMPARED THE PRESENCE OF THE TWO COMMUNIST NATIONS IN ANGOLA WITH THE SOVIET INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA EIGHT YEARS AGO. AND HE ASKED: "WHAT ASSURANCES DO WE HAVE THAT THE SOVIET UNION WILL ACT DIFFERENTLY IN ANGOLA?"

AND SENEGAL'S PRESIDENT LEOPOLD SENGHOR, IN A SPEECH PUBLISHED IN THE FRENCH MAGAZINE "PARIS MATCH" AND IN AN INTERVIEW APPEARING THE FRENCH DAILY "LE MONDE," ALSO CONDEMNED THE SOVIET INTRUSION IN ANGOLA. IN "PARIS MATCH" PRESIDENT SENGHOR IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS GOOD OR BAD IMPERIALISM. SOVIET IMPERIALISM, HE DECLARED, IS AS CONDEMNABLE AS ANY OTHER. HE NOTED THAT IN THE PAST AND IN LINE WITH THIS VIEW HE HAS CONDEMNED BOTH SOUTH AFRICA AND SOVIET IMPERIALISMS. AND HE URGED INDEPENDENT AFRICA TO FIND AFRICAN SOLUTIONS TO ITS PROBLEMS WITHOUT OUTSIDE HELP.

IT IS CLEAR FROM ALL THIS THAT THE PERSISTENCE OF MOSCOW AND HAVANA IN PURSUING THEIR INTERVENTIONIST POLICY IN ANGOLA CONTINUES TO CAUSE DEEP MISGIVINGS AS TO THE INTENTIONS OF BOTH COMMUNIST GOVERNMENTS TOWARD THE REST OF AFRICA.

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